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NOTE TO: Lieutenant General John Moellering, USA
Assistant to the Chairman,
Joint Chiefs of Staff

Attached is the Directorate of Intelligence Research Program for 1987. It contains sections on what we think the most important security and intelligence issues will be over the next five years, the issues we will be highlighting in our research this year, and DI office research plans. The program has benefited from our consultations with your people, and I trust you will find many of your concerns reflected in it.

Throughout the program, you will notice a strong emphasis on Soviet military plans and forces, Soviet economics and politics, and Soviet activities in the Third World. We have also focused on key functional issues -- such as narcotics and terrorism -- and on countries and areas with high potential for instability.

I urge you to leaf through the program, particularly those sections of special interest to you. I would value your comments on specific topics or the overall program.

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